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Consumer Price Index ◆ July 2003

Highlights

- For the second consecutive month, BC's year-over-year CPI rose 1.7%, the lowest year-over-year increase since June 2002. Manitoba posted the lowest price increase from last July at 0.9%, while Alberta continued to have the highest inflation rate in the country at 4.4%. Nationally, the CPI rose 2.2% during the same period.

- Among the metropolitan areas, Edmonton, at 5.8%, had the highest increase in the CPI from last July, while Winnipeg, at 0.8%, recorded the lowest increase. During the same period, the Vancouver CPI rose 1.4%, and the Victoria CPI rose 1.7%.

- While nationally the price of natural gas (up 55.8% from last July) was a major contributor to the rise in Canada's CPI, BC's rise in natural gas prices was moderate in comparison. Contributing to BC's year-over-year inflation were higher prices for natural gas (+16.0%), education (+14.2%), fuel oil (+13.3%), and cigarettes (+11.0%). Offsetting these increases were lower prices for children's clothing (-3.2%), fresh vegetables (-3.2%), and men's clothing (-2.2%).

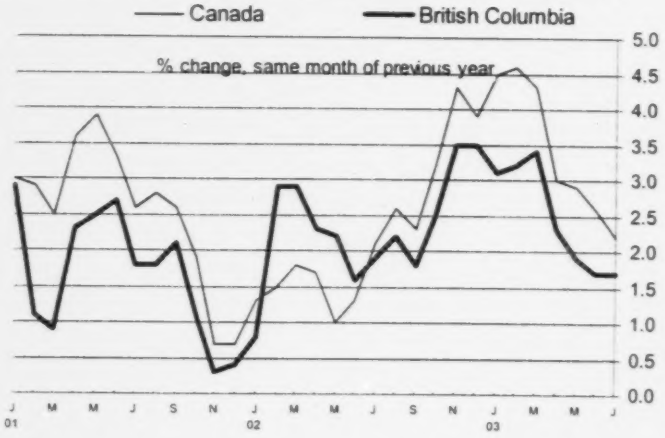
- BC's CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 1.4% from last July. The comparable figure for Canada was 1.8%.

- Costs for both internet services and financial services in BC remained unchanged from last month.

Note: Statistics Canada will release the August Consumer Price Index on September 23, 2003.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	July 2003	June 2003	July 2002
Canada	122.2	0.1	2.2
BC	120.5	0.2	1.7
Vancouver	120.9	0.1	1.4
Victoria	120.1	0.3	1.7

BC's Inflation Remains Lower than Canada's



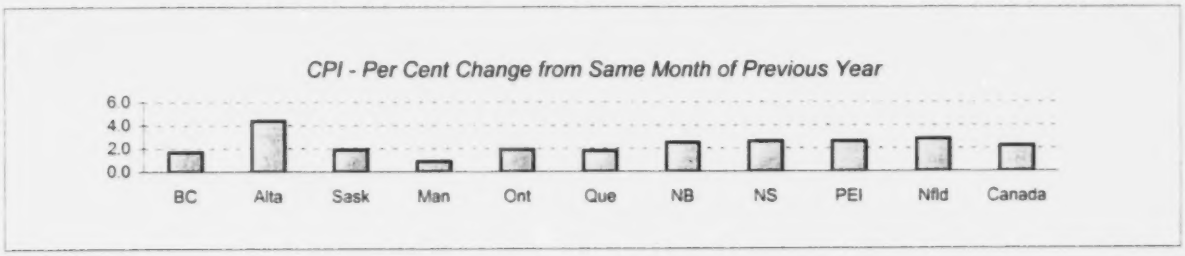
1992=100	Latest 12-Month Average Index (ending in July)	Latest 12-Month Average % Change	2002 Annual Average % Change
Canada	121.4	3.3	2.2
BC	119.6	2.6	2.3
Vancouver	120.2	2.4	2.2
Victoria	119.1	2.7	2.7

July 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

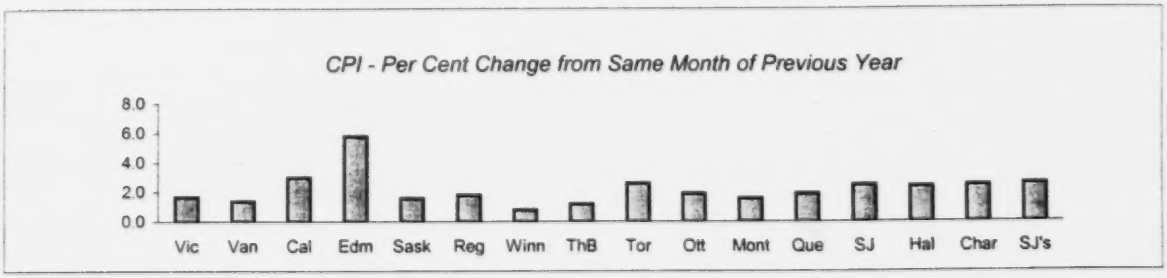
	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index July 2003	% change June 2003	% change July 2002	Index July 2003	% change June 2003	% change July 2002
All-Items Index (1992=100)	**120.5**	**0.2**	**1.7**	**122.2**	**0.1**	**2.2**
Food	**123.3**	**0.0**	**2.5**	**123.2**	**0.0**	**1.9**
Food Purchased From Stores	121.3	-0.3	2.8	122.6	-0.1	1.7
Meat	125.1	-3.6	0.0	129.7	-1.0	2.0
Fish & Other Seafood	129.2	0.2	-1.9	123.4	-0.3	-0.2
Dairy Products & Eggs	126.9	1.1	3.3	124.4	0.1	3.3
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	120.7	-1.5	5.5	125.8	-0.4	4.4
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	107.5	2.1	1.8	110.6	2.2	-0.4
Fresh Fruit	104.2	1.7	3.2	114.0	3.0	-1.0
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	103.5	-1.1	-1.9	114.9	-1.0	-7.2
Fresh Vegetables	100.1	-1.6	-3.2	117.9	-1.3	-9.6
Other Food Products	128.2	0.7	6.4	121.5	0.0	4.1
Coffee & Tea	131.3	2.2	-0.3	126.0	1.3	2.1
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	85.0	3.8	4.4	101.1	-0.5	-0.4
Food Purchased From Restaurants	127.8	0.6	1.8	125.3	0.3	2.5
Shelter	**103.8**	**0.0**	**1.7**	**117.6**	**-0.1**	**3.9**
Rented Accommodation	114.7	0.1	1.0	117.2	0.1	1.4
Owned Accommodation	91.3	0.0	1.6	110.9	0.0	3.0
Property taxes	141.7	0.0	3.5	123.1	0.0	2.2
Water, Fuel & Electricity	146.6	0.2	4.4	145.5	-0.8	13.1
Electricity	107.0	0.2	0.5	117.9	-0.9	-2.6
Piped Gas	230.3	0.0	16.0	226.2	-0.9	55.8
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	149.8	0.0	13.3	143.7	0.0	10.5
Household Operations & Furnishings	**122.3**	**0.2**	**1.0**	**114.6**	**0.1**	**0.4**
Household Operations	128.2	0.2	1.7	119.1	0.1	1.1
Household Furnishings	114.4	0.5	-0.3	107.8	0.1	-0.9
Clothing & Footwear	**111.4**	**0.9**	**0.6**	**101.6**	**0.6**	**-3.2**
Clothing	107.7	1.5	-0.9	99.1	1.2	-4.6
Women's Clothing	110.1	3.0	1.0	98.7	-0.4	-5.1
Men's Clothing	108.5	0.2	-2.2	101.0	3.4	-3.3
Children's Clothing	96.4	-0.4	-3.2	95.7	2.2	-5.5
Footwear	109.6	-1.0	1.2	101.1	-1.3	-3.4
Transportation	**138.6**	**0.3**	**1.0**	**139.9**	**0.3**	**3.3**
Private Transportation	133.9	-0.1	1.3	137.0	0.1	3.6
Operation of Motor Vehicles	139.0	0.7	3.7	145.3	1.0	7.7
Gasoline	144.0	1.3	1.6	130.3	1.9	-0.1
Public Transportation	182.1	2.8	-0.8	173.8	2.3	0.7
Local & Commuter	144.0	0.8	1.9	143.5	1.3	4.4
Inter-City	198.2	3.5	-1.3	197.8	2.8	-1.3
Health & Personal Care	**122.2**	**0.4**	**0.4**	**116.9**	**0.1**	**1.3**
Health Care	128.6	0.9	2.1	122.7	0.3	2.1
Personal Care	115.4	-0.3	-1.8	112.4	-0.1	0.4
Recreation, Education & Reading	**129.5**	**0.9**	**1.8**	**127.9**	**0.2**	**-0.4**
Recreation	122.7	1.1	-0.2	117.0	0.3	-1.6
Education & Reading	155.0	0.2	10.0	167.4	0.1	3.3
Education	157.7	0.0	14.2	182.9	0.0	4.1
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	150.5	0.7	2.5	139.7	0.5	1.5
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**136.4**	**0.0**	**5.0**	**136.6**	**0.1**	**5.5**
Alcoholic Beverages	117.8	0.2	-0.4	121.5	0.1	2.3
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	113.9	0.2	-1.6	121.3	0.0	2.2
Beer Purchased from Stores	131.7	0.0	0.0	130.9	0.2	4.3
Liquor Purchased from Stores	101.0	0.7	-1.0	107.8	0.2	-0.3
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	153.3	-0.1	11.2	134.1	0.1	8.1
Cigarettes	153.1	-0.1	11.0	133.0	0.2	8.1
All-Items Excluding Food	119.9	0.3	1.4	122.0	0.1	2.2
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	117.8	0.2	1.5	122.4	0.1	2.0
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	117.9	0.3	1.4	120.3	0.1	1.8

July 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Provinces	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	July 2003	June 2003	July 2002	2002	2001	2001/02
Canada	122.2	0.1	2.2	119.0	116.4	2.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	121.2	0.7	2.8	117.3	114.5	2.4
Prince Edward Island	121.7	0.2	2.6	117.7	114.6	2.7
Nova Scotia	124.0	0.3	2.6	119.8	116.3	3.0
New Brunswick	122.6	0.4	2.5	118.6	114.7	3.4
Quebec	118.3	0.2	1.8	115.5	113.2	2.0
Ontario	123.1	0.2	1.9	120.1	117.7	2.0
Manitoba	124.9	0.0	0.9	123.1	121.2	1.6
Saskatchewan	126.5	0.2	1.9	123.7	120.3	2.8
Alberta	129.6	-0.4	4.4	124.2	120.1	3.4
British Columbia	**120.5**	**0.2**	**1.7**	**117.9**	**115.2**	**2.3**
Whitehorse	120.4	0.4	1.2	117.7	116.9	0.7
Yellowknife	118.3	-0.3	0.9	116.3	113.0	2.9
Iqaluit (Dec. 2002=100)	100.7	0.5	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	July 2003	June 2003	July 2002	2002	2001	2001/02
St. John's	121.1	0.7	2.6	117.3	114.5	2.4
Charlottetown	120.9	0.2	2.5	117.1	114.2	2.5
Halifax	123.0	0.3	2.4	119.1	115.5	3.1
Saint John	122.1	0.4	2.5	118.2	114.5	3.2
Quebec City	119.0	0.2	1.9	116.2	113.8	2.1
Montreal	118.3	0.2	1.6	115.7	113.4	2.0
Ottawa	124.8	0.3	1.9	121.9	119.3	2.2
Toronto	124.0	0.2	2.6	120.6	118.1	2.1
Thunder Bay	121.7	-0.1	1.2	119.3	117.5	1.5
Winnipeg	125.1	0.0	0.8	123.3	121.5	1.5
Regina	127.4	0.1	1.8	124.6	121.3	2.7
Saskatoon	125.7	0.1	1.6	123.1	119.7	2.8
Edmonton	128.5	-0.2	5.8	121.9	118.4	3.0
Calgary	129.8	-0.7	3.0	125.8	121.3	3.7
Vancouver	**120.9**	**0.1**	**1.4**	**118.6**	**116.0**	**2.2**
Victoria	**120.1**	**0.3**	**1.7**	**117.4**	**114.3**	**2.7**



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British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1999	111.2	1.1	113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9	113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7	117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2002	117.9	2.3	120.6	101.9	121.0	112.6	135.0	121.9	124.7	126.7
2002		Month / Year								
Jan	115.4	0.5 / 0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4 / 2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6 / 2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
Apr	117.7	0.9 / 2.3	121.5	101.6	121.4	114.2	135.0	122.0	121.7	123.9
May	118.1	0.3 / 2.2	120.9	101.8	121.2	112.8	135.9	122.0	125.4	126.2
Jun	118.2	0.1 / 1.6	121.0	102.0	120.9	111.1	136.0	122.5	126.1	127.8
Jul	118.5	0.3 / 1.9	120.3	102.1	121.1	110.7	137.2	121.7	127.2	129.9
Aug	118.7	0.2 / 2.2	120.9	102.1	121.0	110.5	137.7	123.0	127.1	130.4
Sep	118.8	0.1 / 1.8	119.8	102.0	121.0	113.6	137.6	122.4	128.6	130.5
Oct	118.7	-0.1 / 2.5	119.1	102.4	121.1	114.0	137.7	123.3	126.6	131.2
Nov	118.9	0.2 / 3.5	121.0	102.6	121.3	111.6	137.7	122.7	125.6	131.8
Dec	118.8	-0.1 / 3.5	121.7	102.6	121.3	109.5	137.4	122.0	125.2	131.9
2003										
Jan	119.0	0.2 / 3.1	122.1	102.7	121.3	110.3	138.0	122.8	125.1	132.2
Feb	119.6	0.5 / 3.2	121.1	102.9	122.3	112.0	140.3	122.7	126.0	134.0
Mar	120.6	0.8 / 3.4	122.3	103.2	122.1	113.8	143.2	121.8	126.9	135.2
Apr	120.4	-0.2 / 2.3	122.7	103.6	121.7	113.5	140.7	122.6	126.9	135.3
May	120.4	0.0 / 1.9	123.3	103.8	121.9	112.1	138.7	121.9	128.7	136.3
Jun	120.2	-0.2 / 1.7	123.3	103.8	122.0	110.4	138.2	121.7	128.4	136.4
Jul	120.5	0.2 / 1.7	123.3	103.8	122.3	111.4	138.6	122.2	129.5	136.4

Canada

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1999	110.5	1.7	110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7	112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6	117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2002	119.0	2.2	120.3	113.8	113.8	105.2	134.4	115.5	126.3	123.6
2002		Month / Year								
Jan	116.2	0.3 / 1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
Feb	116.9	0.6 / 1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
Mar	117.7	0.7 / 1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
Apr	118.4	0.6 / 1.7	120.9	112.8	113.9	106.6	133.8	115.3	124.7	116.8
May	118.6	0.2 / 1.0	120.4	113.1	113.8	104.6	134.1	115.7	126.8	118.8
Jun	119.0	0.3 / 1.3	120.9	113.1	114.0	104.2	134.0	115.9	127.2	124.1
Jul	119.6	0.5 / 2.1	120.9	113.2	114.2	105.0	135.4	115.4	128.4	129.5
Aug	120.1	0.4 / 2.6	120.2	114.2	114.3	105.0	137.0	115.6	128.5	129.8
Sep	120.1	0.0 / 2.3	119.2	114.6	113.8	107.3	136.8	115.7	128.7	129.9
Oct	120.5	0.3 / 3.2	118.5	115.8	113.9	107.1	137.9	116.2	127.7	131.2
Nov	120.8	0.2 / 4.3	120.4	115.7	114.0	105.2	139.2	116.2	126.7	131.9
Dec	120.4	-0.3 / 3.9	121.2	114.0	114.0	102.3	140.1	116.1	126.0	131.6
2003										
Jan	121.4	0.8 / 4.5	122.3	116.2	113.9	101.6	141.9	116.1	125.4	132.0
Feb	122.3	0.7 / 4.6	122.1	116.7	114.5	103.8	144.1	116.4	127.1	133.5
Mar	122.8	0.4 / 4.3	122.4	117.4	114.5	105.5	144.6	116.1	126.7	133.8
Apr	121.9	-0.7 / 3.0	122.4	116.5	114.5	103.8	141.8	116.8	126.3	134.5
May	122.0	0.1 / 2.9	122.8	117.1	114.5	103.4	139.8	117.1	127.2	136.2
Jun	122.1	0.1 / 2.6	123.2	117.7	114.5	101.0	139.5	116.8	127.6	136.4
Jul	122.2	0.1 / 2.2	123.2	117.6	114.6	101.6	139.9	116.9	127.9	136.6

July 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100), Selected Items

BRITISH COLUMBIA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity[1]					
	1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
	2002	113.5	89.7	198.6	131.6	106.3	135.7	135.9	117.3	115.5	115.7
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
	Apr	113.1	89.4	198.6	130.8	106.1	137.3	136.6	116.9	115.4	115.1
	May	113.3	89.6	198.6	132.2	106.1	139.9	138.0	117.6	115.8	115.7
	Jun	113.5	90.0	198.6	132.2	106.1	140.4	138.3	117.7	115.9	115.9
	Jul	113.6	89.9	198.6	132.2	106.5	141.8	139.3	118.2	116.1	116.3
	Aug	113.8	89.8	198.6	132.2	106.5	142.6	139.7	118.3	116.3	116.4
	Sep	113.8	89.7	198.6	136.2	106.5	144.5	140.8	118.6	116.3	116.7
	Oct	114.0	90.1	198.6	141.2	106.5	146.5	142.1	118.7	116.2	116.6
	Nov	114.1	90.5	198.6	141.0	106.5	144.5	141.0	118.5	116.4	116.5
	Dec	114.2	90.6	198.6	136.6	106.5	138.1	137.5	118.2	116.3	116.5
2003	Jan	114.2	90.5	202.7	143.4	106.8	141.6	139.8	118.4	116.5	116.5
	Feb	114.3	90.6	202.7	150.5	106.8	154.0	146.1	119.3	117.0	117.0
	Mar	114.4	90.8	205.7	178.6	106.8	167.4	153.5	120.2	118.0	117.4
	Apr	114.5	91.0	230.3	165.0	106.8	153.1	147.9	119.9	117.8	117.5
	May	114.5	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.0	142.1	119.8	117.7	117.8
	Jun	114.6	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.2	142.2	119.6	117.6	117.6
	Jul	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	144.0	143.2	119.9	117.8	117.9

[1] *electricity figure for 2001 reflects BC Hydro rebates in February and March*

CANADA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
	2002	115.5	107.6	168.7	131.8	119.6	127.2	129.6	118.8	119.6	117.5
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
	Apr	115.0	107.1	153.9	130.2	119.4	130.4	129.4	117.9	119.3	116.5
	May	115.2	107.4	155.4	130.1	119.4	128.0	128.4	118.3	119.4	117.0
	Jun	115.4	107.7	153.9	130.1	117.2	126.9	127.0	118.6	119.5	117.5
	Jul	115.6	107.7	145.2	130.1	121.0	130.4	129.0	119.4	120.0	118.2
	Aug	115.9	107.8	147.7	130.1	129.2	133.6	133.4	120.2	120.5	118.5
	Sep	116.0	107.8	155.4	135.1	128.9	133.9	134.6	120.4	120.5	118.7
	Oct	116.2	108.4	184.2	144.2	125.5	136.0	138.4	121.0	120.8	118.9
	Nov	116.4	108.7	183.4	144.8	122.7	133.5	136.2	121.0	121.2	119.2
	Dec	116.5	109.2	187.1	144.5	99.7	130.0	127.6	120.2	120.7	119.3
2003	Jan	116.6	109.4	201.3	158.1	118.4	138.0	140.4	121.3	121.7	119.2
	Feb	116.7	109.7	203.5	176.9	118.4	147.7	146.5	122.4	122.6	119.9
	Mar	116.8	110.0	218.1	198.9	118.3	149.1	149.5	122.9	123.1	120.2
	Apr	116.9	110.3	230.3	163.0	106.3	135.7	137.4	121.9	122.2	120.2
	May	117.0	110.6	210.2	143.7	117.9	126.4	134.4	121.9	122.2	120.4
	Jun	117.1	110.9	228.3	143.7	119.0	127.9	137.0	121.9	122.3	120.2
	Jul	117.2	110.9	226.2	143.7	117.9	130.3	137.6	122.0	122.4	120.3

* *Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

July 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1999	111.4	0.9	99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2	100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8	103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2002	118.6	2.2	103.4	113.1	91.3	150.0
2002		Month / Year				
Jan	116.3	0.4 / 0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3 / 2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
Mar	117.4	0.7 / 3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7
Apr	118.4	0.9 / 2.3	103.3	112.8	91.3	149.9
May	119.0	0.5 / 2.3	103.6	113.0	91.6	149.8
Jun	119.0	0.0 / 1.7	103.5	113.1	91.4	149.8
Jul	119.2	0.2 / 1.9	103.6	113.3	91.4	150.1
Aug	119.3	0.1 / 2.0	103.5	113.4	91.2	150.1
Sep	119.6	0.3 / 1.8	103.5	113.5	91.1	150.3
Oct	119.6	0.0 / 2.7	103.8	113.6	91.6	150.6
Nov	119.7	0.1 / 3.5	104.0	113.7	91.9	150.4
Dec	119.5	-0.2 / 3.2	104.1	113.9	91.9	150.2
2003						
Jan	119.7	0.2 / 2.9	104.1	113.9	91.8	150.7
Feb	120.3	0.5 / 3.2	104.2	114.0	92.0	150.8
Mar	121.2	0.7 / 3.2	104.6	114.1	92.4	151.5
Apr	121.0	-0.2 / 2.2	105.1	114.3	92.5	155.9
May	120.9	-0.1 / 1.6	105.2	114.3	92.7	155.7
Jun	120.8	-0.1 / 1.5	105.2	114.4	92.8	155.7
Jul	120.9	0.1 / 1.4	105.2	114.4	92.7	155.7

Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1999	111.1	1.0	98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7	99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2	98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2002	117.4	2.7	100.8	113.2	90.2	120.5
2002		Month / Year				
Jan	114.9	0.5 / 1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
Feb	115.4	0.4 / 3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
Mar	116.1	0.6 / 3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
Apr	117.1	0.9 / 2.5	100.2	112.7	89.5	120.2
May	117.6	0.4 / 2.4	100.4	113.0	89.6	120.5
Jun	117.8	0.2 / 2.1	100.9	113.1	90.3	120.5
Jul	118.1	0.3 / 2.3	101.0	113.4	90.4	120.5
Aug	118.3	0.2 / 2.7	101.0	113.4	90.3	120.5
Sep	118.4	0.1 / 2.3	100.9	113.5	90.1	121.0
Oct	118.3	-0.1 / 2.7	101.6	113.7	90.9	122.0
Nov	118.6	0.3 / 3.7	101.9	113.8	91.3	122.5
Dec	118.4	-0.2 / 3.6	101.9	113.9	91.3	122.1
2003						
Jan	118.7	0.3 / 3.3	101.9	114.0	91.2	123.2
Feb	119.2	0.4 / 3.3	102.1	114.0	91.3	123.8
Mar	120.1	0.8 / 3.4	102.5	114.1	91.4	128.4
Apr	119.9	-0.2 / 2.4	102.6	114.2	91.7	127.1
May	119.9	0.0 / 2.0	102.8	114.1	92.2	124.6
Jun	119.7	-0.2 / 1.6	102.8	114.1	92.1	124.6
Jul	120.1	0.3 / 1.7	103.0	114.2	92.4	124.9

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Consumer Price Index ◆ August 2003

Highlights

- Inflation in BC rose 1.9% over August 2002. The lowest price increases were seen in Manitoba, with a 0.9% rise in inflation, while Alberta continued to have the highest inflation rate in the country (4.0%). Nationally, the CPI rose 2.0% during the same period.

- Among the metropolitan areas, Edmonton, at 5.0%, had the highest increase in the CPI from last August, while Winnipeg, at 0.9%, recorded the lowest increase. During the same period, the Vancouver CPI rose 1.8%, and the Victoria CPI rose 1.9%.

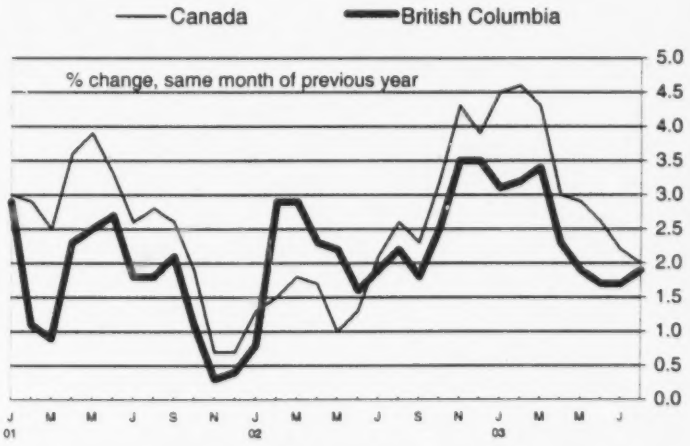
- Energy prices continued to play a significant role in BC's inflation. Contributing to BC's year-over-year inflation were higher prices for natural gas (+16.0%), education (+14.2%), fuel oil (+13.3%), gasoline (+12.2%), and cigarettes (+10.0%). Offsetting these increases were lower prices for fresh vegetables (-6.8%), women's and children's clothing (both -3.9%), inter-city public transportation (-2.4%), meat (-2.5%), and liquor purchased from stores (also –2.5%).

- BC's CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 1.2% from last August. The comparable figure for Canada was 1.7%.

Note: Statistics Canada will release the September Consumer Price Index on October 21, 2003.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	August 2003	July 2003	August 2002
Canada	122.5	0.2	2.0
BC	120.9	0.3	1.9
Vancouver	121.5	0.5	1.8
Victoria	120.5	0.3	1.9

Inflation Trend Gap Narrowing



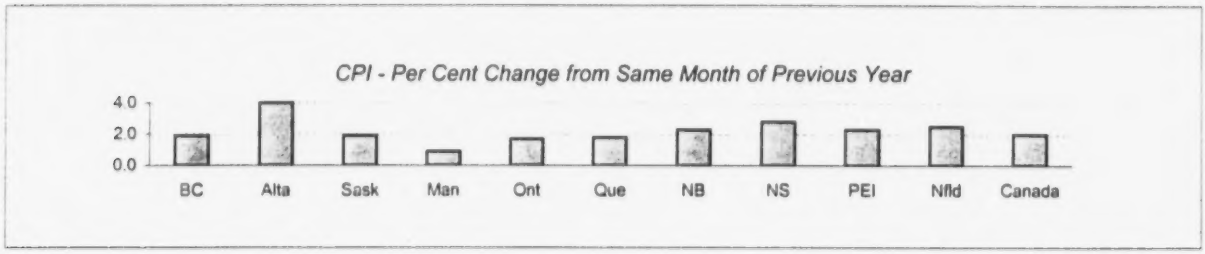
1992=100	Latest 12-Month Average Index (ending in August)	Latest 12-Month Average % Change	2002 Annual Average % Change
Canada	121.6	3.3	2.2
BC	119.7	2.5	2.3
Vancouver	120.4	2.4	2.2
Victoria	119.3	2.6	2.7

August 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

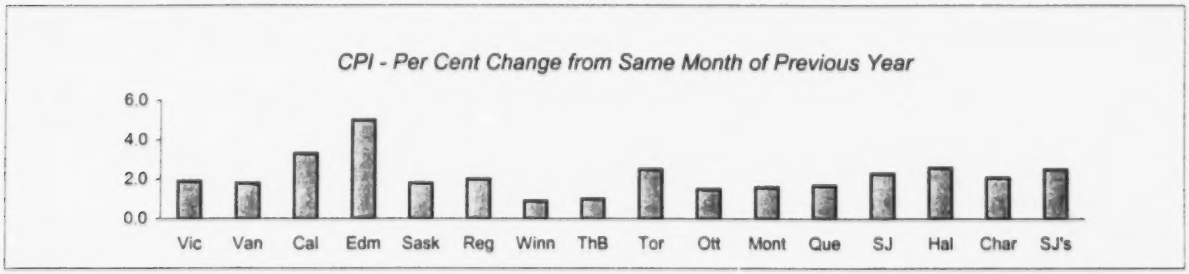
	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index August 2003	% change July 2003	% change August 2002	Index August 2003	% change July 2003	% change August 2002
All-Items Index (1992=100)	**120.9**	**0.3**	**1.9**	**122.5**	**0.2**	**2.0**
Food	**123.3**	**0.0**	**2.0**	**122.1**	**-0.9**	**1.6**
Food Purchased From Stores	121.1	-0.2	2.1	121.0	-1.3	1.3
Meat	123.3	-1.4	-2.5	126.4	-2.5	-0.9
Fish & Other Seafood	129.1	-0.1	-0.2	123.4	0.0	-0.2
Dairy Products & Eggs	127.7	0.6	3.8	124.8	0.3	3.7
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	122.3	1.3	6.4	126.4	0.5	4.4
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	110.6	2.9	1.6	110.2	-0.4	-1.1
Fresh Fruit	105.7	1.4	-0.3	113.0	-0.9	-2.2
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	98.9	-4.4	-4.8	104.4	-9.1	-5.5
Fresh Vegetables	94.1	-6.0	-6.8	103.6	-12.1	-7.8
Other Food Products	128.1	-0.1	5.9	121.9	0.3	4.2
Coffee & Tea	131.4	0.1	1.4	126.2	0.2	1.7
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	82.7	-2.7	2.5	101.0	-0.1	0.4
Food Purchased From Restaurants	128.3	0.4	1.8	125.4	0.1	2.2
Shelter	**103.9**	**0.1**	**1.8**	**117.7**	**0.1**	**3.1**
Rented Accommodation	114.7	0.0	0.8	117.4	0.2	1.3
Owned Accommodation	91.3	0.0	1.7	110.9	0.0	2.9
Property taxes	141.7	0.0	3.5	123.1	0.0	2.2
Water, Fuel & Electricity	146.6	0.0	4.4	145.4	-0.1	8.4
Electricity	107.0	0.0	0.5	118.3	0.3	-8.4
Piped Gas	230.3	0.0	16.0	223.6	-1.1	51.4
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	149.8	0.0	13.3	143.7	0.0	10.5
Household Operations & Furnishings	**122.4**	**0.1**	**1.2**	**114.7**	**0.1**	**0.3**
Household Operations	128.7	0.4	2.2	119.2	0.1	1.2
Household Furnishings	113.9	-0.4	-0.8	107.8	0.0	-1.1
Clothing & Footwear	**109.4**	**-1.8**	**-1.0**	**101.8**	**0.2**	**-3.0**
Clothing	105.2	-2.3	-2.3	99.5	0.4	-4.1
Women's Clothing	104.9	-4.7	-3.9	99.7	1.0	-3.9
Men's Clothing	108.1	-0.4	1.0	100.6	-0.4	-3.0
Children's Clothing	98.2	1.9	-3.9	95.9	0.2	-7.3
Footwear	108.6	-0.9	-1.1	101.5	0.4	-3.6
Transportation	**141.0**	**1.7**	**2.4**	**142.4**	**1.8**	**3.9**
Private Transportation	136.6	2.0	3.3	139.7	2.0	4.5
Operation of Motor Vehicles	144.8	4.2	7.7	151.7	4.4	10.4
Gasoline	160.0	11.1	12.2	142.0	9.0	6.3
Public Transportation	181.7	-0.2	-2.4	173.5	-0.2	-0.7
Local & Commuter	144.0	0.0	1.9	143.6	0.1	4.5
Inter-City	197.6	-0.3	-3.5	197.2	-0.3	-3.5
Health & Personal Care	**123.5**	**1.1**	**0.4**	**117.4**	**0.4**	**1.6**
Health Care	128.1	-0.4	1.7	122.5	-0.2	1.8
Personal Care	118.9	3.0	-0.8	113.5	1.0	1.2
Recreation, Education & Reading	**129.6**	**0.1**	**2.0**	**128.0**	**0.1**	**-0.4**
Recreation	122.9	0.2	0.0	117.2	0.2	-1.5
Education & Reading	155.0	0.0	10.0	167.4	0.0	3.3
Education	157.7	0.0	14.2	182.9	0.0	4.1
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	150.5	0.0	2.5	139.7	0.0	1.5
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**136.8**	**0.3**	**4.9**	**137.1**	**0.4**	**5.6**
Alcoholic Beverages	119.1	1.1	0.3	122.4	0.7	2.6
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	115.9	1.8	-0.1	122.0	0.6	2.3
Beer Purchased from Stores	136.0	3.3	3.3	131.4	0.4	3.8
Liquor Purchased from Stores	99.9	-1.1	-2.5	108.7	0.8	0.6
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	152.4	-0.6	10.0	134.2	0.1	8.0
Cigarettes	152.3	-0.5	10.0	133.0	0.0	8.0
All-Items Excluding Food	120.4	0.4	1.8	122.7	0.6	2.1
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	118.2	0.3	1.6	122.7	0.2	1.8
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	117.8	-0.1	1.2	120.5	0.2	1.7

August 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Provinces	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	August 2003	July 2003	August 2002	2002	2001	2001/02
Canada	122.5	0.2	2.0	119.0	116.4	2.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	120.7	-0.4	2.5	117.3	114.5	2.4
Prince Edward Island	121.5	-0.2	2.3	117.7	114.6	2.7
Nova Scotia	124.1	0.1	2.8	119.8	116.3	3.0
New Brunswick	122.7	0.1	2.3	118.6	114.7	3.4
Quebec	118.4	0.1	1.8	115.5	113.2	2.0
Ontario	123.8	0.6	1.7	120.1	117.7	2.0
Manitoba	125.2	0.2	0.9	123.1	121.2	1.6
Saskatchewan	126.8	0.2	1.9	123.7	120.3	2.8
Alberta	129.3	-0.2	4.0	124.2	120.1	3.4
British Columbia	**120.9**	**0.3**	**1.9**	**117.9**	**115.2**	**2.3**
Whitehorse	120.4	0.0	1.3	117.7	116.9	0.7
Yellowknife	118.1	-0.2	0.6	116.3	113.0	2.9
Iqaluit (Dec. 2002=100)	100.3	-0.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	August 2003	July 2003	August 2002	2002	2001	2001/02
St. John's	120.7	-0.3	2.5	117.3	114.5	2.4
Charlottetown	120.6	-0.2	2.1	117.1	114.2	2.5
Halifax	123.1	0.1	2.6	119.1	115.5	3.1
Saint John	122.2	0.1	2.3	118.2	114.5	3.2
Quebec City	119.1	0.1	1.7	116.2	113.8	2.1
Montreal	118.4	0.1	1.6	115.7	113.4	2.0
Ottawa	125.4	0.5	1.5	121.9	119.3	2.2
Toronto	124.6	0.5	2.5	120.6	118.1	2.1
Thunder Bay	122.5	0.7	1.0	119.3	117.5	1.5
Winnipeg	125.4	0.2	0.9	123.3	121.5	1.5
Regina	127.8	0.3	2.0	124.6	121.3	2.7
Saskatoon	126.1	0.3	1.8	123.1	119.7	2.8
Edmonton	128.2	-0.2	5.0	121.9	118.4	3.0
Calgary	129.7	-0.1	3.3	125.8	121.3	3.7
Vancouver	**121.5**	**0.5**	**1.8**	**118.6**	**116.0**	**2.2**
Victoria	**120.5**	**0.3**	**1.9**	**117.4**	**114.3**	**2.7**



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August 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1999	111.2	1.1		113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2002	117.9	2.3		120.6	101.9	121.0	112.6	135.0	121.9	124.7	126.7
2002		Month	Year								
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6	2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
Apr	117.7	0.9	2.3	121.5	101.6	121.4	114.2	135.0	122.0	121.7	123.9
May	118.1	0.3	2.2	120.9	101.8	121.2	112.8	135.9	122.0	125.4	126.2
Jun	118.2	0.1	1.6	121.0	102.0	120.9	111.1	136.0	122.5	126.1	127.8
Jul	118.5	0.3	1.9	120.3	102.1	121.1	110.7	137.2	121.7	127.2	129.9
Aug	118.7	0.2	2.2	120.9	102.1	121.0	110.5	137.7	123.0	127.1	130.4
Sep	118.8	0.1	1.8	119.8	102.0	121.0	113.6	137.6	122.4	128.6	130.5
Oct	118.7	-0.1	2.5	119.1	102.4	121.1	114.0	137.7	123.3	126.6	131.2
Nov	118.9	0.2	3.5	121.0	102.6	121.3	111.6	137.7	122.7	125.6	131.8
Dec	118.8	-0.1	3.5	121.7	102.6	121.3	109.5	137.4	122.0	125.2	131.9
2003											
Jan	119.0	0.2	3.1	122.1	102.7	121.3	110.3	138.0	122.8	125.1	132.2
Feb	119.6	0.5	3.2	121.1	102.9	122.3	112.0	140.3	122.7	126.0	134.0
Mar	120.6	0.8	3.4	122.3	103.2	122.1	113.8	143.2	121.8	126.9	135.2
Apr	120.4	-0.2	2.3	122.7	103.6	121.7	113.5	140.7	122.6	126.9	135.3
May	120.4	0.0	1.9	123.3	103.8	121.9	112.1	138.7	121.9	128.7	136.3
Jun	120.2	-0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.0	110.4	138.2	121.7	128.4	136.4
Jul	120.5	0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.3	111.4	138.6	122.2	129.5	136.4
Aug	120.9	0.3	1.9	123.3	103.9	122.4	109.4	141.0	123.5	129.6	136.8

Canada

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1999	110.5	1.7		110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2002	119.0	2.2		120.3	113.8	113.8	105.2	134.4	115.5	126.3	123.6
2002		Month	Year								
Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
Mar	117.7	0.7	1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
Apr	118.4	0.6	1.7	120.9	112.8	113.9	106.6	133.8	115.3	124.7	116.8
May	118.6	0.2	1.0	120.4	113.1	113.8	104.6	134.1	115.7	126.8	118.8
Jun	119.0	0.3	1.3	120.9	113.1	114.0	104.2	134.0	115.9	127.2	124.1
Jul	119.6	0.5	2.1	120.9	113.2	114.2	105.0	135.4	115.4	128.4	129.5
Aug	120.1	0.4	2.6	120.2	114.2	114.3	105.0	137.0	115.6	128.5	129.8
Sep	120.1	0.0	2.3	119.2	114.6	113.8	107.3	136.8	115.7	128.7	129.9
Oct	120.5	0.3	3.2	118.5	115.8	113.9	107.1	137.9	116.2	127.7	131.2
Nov	120.8	0.2	4.3	120.4	115.7	114.0	105.2	139.2	116.2	126.7	131.9
Dec	120.4	-0.3	3.9	121.2	114.0	114.0	102.3	140.1	116.1	126.0	131.6
2003											
Jan	121.4	0.8	4.5	122.3	116.2	113.9	101.6	141.9	116.1	125.4	132.0
Feb	122.3	0.7	4.6	122.1	116.7	114.5	103.8	144.1	116.4	127.1	133.5
Mar	122.8	0.4	4.3	122.4	117.4	114.5	105.5	144.6	116.1	126.7	133.8
Apr	121.9	-0.7	3.0	122.4	116.5	114.5	103.8	141.8	116.8	126.3	134.5
May	122.0	0.1	2.9	122.8	117.1	114.5	103.4	139.8	117.1	127.2	136.2
Jun	122.1	0.1	2.6	123.2	117.7	114.5	101.0	139.5	116.8	127.6	136.4
Jul	122.2	0.1	2.2	123.2	117.6	114.6	101.6	139.9	116.9	127.9	136.6
Aug	122.5	0.2	2.0	122.1	117.7	114.7	101.8	142.4	117.4	128.0	137.1

August 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100), Selected Items

BRITISH COLUMBIA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity[1]					
	1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
	2002	113.5	89.7	198.6	131.6	106.3	135.7	135.9	117.3	115.5	115.7
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
	Apr	113.1	89.4	198.6	130.8	106.1	137.3	136.6	116.9	115.4	115.1
	May	113.3	89.6	198.6	132.2	106.1	139.9	138.0	117.6	115.8	115.7
	Jun	113.5	90.0	198.6	132.2	106.1	140.4	138.3	117.7	115.9	115.9
	Jul	113.6	89.9	198.6	132.2	106.5	141.8	139.3	118.2	116.1	116.3
	Aug	113.8	89.8	198.6	132.2	106.5	142.6	139.7	118.3	116.3	116.4
	Sep	113.8	89.7	198.6	136.2	106.5	144.5	140.8	118.6	116.3	116.7
	Oct	114.0	90.1	198.6	141.2	106.5	146.5	142.1	118.7	116.2	116.6
	Nov	114.1	90.5	198.6	141.0	106.5	144.5	141.0	118.5	116.4	116.5
	Dec	114.2	90.6	198.6	136.6	106.5	138.1	137.5	118.2	116.3	116.5
2003	Jan	114.2	90.5	202.7	143.4	106.8	141.6	139.8	118.4	116.5	116.5
	Feb	114.3	90.6	202.7	150.5	106.8	154.0	146.1	119.3	117.0	117.0
	Mar	114.4	90.8	205.7	178.6	106.8	167.4	153.5	120.2	118.0	117.4
	Apr	114.5	91.0	230.3	165.0	106.8	153.1	147.9	119.9	117.8	117.5
	May	114.5	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.0	142.1	119.8	117.7	117.8
	Jun	114.6	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.2	142.2	119.6	117.6	117.6
	Jul	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	144.0	143.2	119.9	117.8	117.9
	Aug	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	160.0	151.0	120.4	118.2	117.8

[1] *electricity figure for 2001 reflects BC Hydro rebates in February and March*

CANADA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
	2002	115.5	107.6	168.7	131.8	119.6	127.2	129.6	118.8	119.6	117.5
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
	Apr	115.0	107.1	153.9	130.2	119.4	130.4	129.4	117.9	119.3	116.5
	May	115.2	107.4	155.4	130.1	119.4	128.0	128.4	118.3	119.4	117.0
	Jun	115.4	107.7	153.9	130.1	117.2	126.9	127.0	118.6	119.5	117.5
	Jul	115.6	107.7	145.2	130.1	121.0	130.4	129.0	119.4	120.0	118.2
	Aug	115.9	107.8	147.7	130.1	129.2	133.6	133.4	120.2	120.5	118.5
	Sep	116.0	107.8	155.4	135.1	128.9	133.9	134.6	120.4	120.5	118.7
	Oct	116.2	108.4	184.2	144.2	125.5	136.0	138.4	121.0	120.8	118.9
	Nov	116.4	108.7	183.4	144.8	122.7	133.5	136.2	121.0	121.2	119.2
	Dec	116.5	109.2	187.1	144.5	99.7	130.0	127.6	120.2	120.7	119.3
2003	Jan	116.6	109.4	201.3	158.1	118.4	138.0	140.4	121.3	121.7	119.2
	Feb	116.7	109.7	203.5	176.9	118.4	147.7	146.5	122.4	122.6	119.9
	Mar	116.8	110.0	218.1	198.9	118.3	149.1	149.5	122.9	123.1	120.2
	Apr	116.9	110.3	230.3	163.0	106.3	135.7	137.4	121.9	122.2	120.2
	May	117.0	110.6	210.2	143.7	117.9	126.4	134.4	121.9	122.2	120.4
	Jun	117.1	110.9	228.3	143.7	119.0	127.9	137.0	121.9	122.3	120.2
	Jul	117.2	110.9	226.2	143.7	117.9	130.3	137.6	122.0	122.4	120.3
	Aug	117.4	110.9	223.6	143.7	118.3	142.0	143.5	122.7	122.7	120.5

* *Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

August 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1999	111.4	0.9		99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2		100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8		103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2002	118.6	2.2		103.4	113.1	91.3	150.0
2002		Month	Year				
Jan	116.3	0.4	0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3	2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
Mar	117.4	0.7	3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7
Apr	118.4	0.9	2.3	103.3	112.8	91.3	149.9
May	119.0	0.5	2.3	103.6	113.0	91.6	149.8
Jun	119.0	0.0	1.7	103.5	113.1	91.4	149.8
Jul	119.2	0.2	1.9	103.6	113.3	91.4	150.1
Aug	119.3	0.1	2.0	103.5	113.4	91.2	150.1
Sep	119.6	0.3	1.8	103.5	113.5	91.1	150.3
Oct	119.6	0.0	2.7	103.8	113.6	91.6	150.6
Nov	119.7	0.1	3.5	104.0	113.7	91.9	150.4
Dec	119.5	-0.2	3.2	104.1	113.9	91.9	150.2
2003							
Jan	119.7	0.2	2.9	104.1	113.9	91.8	150.7
Feb	120.3	0.5	3.2	104.2	114.0	92.0	150.8
Mar	121.2	0.7	3.2	104.6	114.1	92.4	151.5
Apr	121.0	-0.2	2.2	105.1	114.3	92.5	155.9
May	120.9	-0.1	1.6	105.2	114.3	92.7	155.7
Jun	120.8	-0.1	1.5	105.2	114.4	92.8	155.7
Jul	120.9	0.1	1.4	105.2	114.4	92.7	155.7
Aug	121.5	0.5	1.8	105.1	114.5	92.6	155.7

Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1999	111.1	1.0		98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7		99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2		98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2002	117.4	2.7		100.8	113.2	90.2	120.5
2002		Month	Year				
Jan	114.9	0.5	1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
Feb	115.4	0.4	3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
Mar	116.1	0.6	3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
Apr	117.1	0.9	2.5	100.2	112.7	89.5	120.2
May	117.6	0.4	2.4	100.4	113.0	89.6	120.5
Jun	117.8	0.2	2.1	100.9	113.1	90.3	120.5
Jul	118.1	0.3	2.3	101.0	113.4	90.4	120.5
Aug	118.3	0.2	2.7	101.0	113.4	90.3	120.5
Sep	118.4	0.1	2.3	100.9	113.5	90.1	121.0
Oct	118.3	-0.1	2.7	101.6	113.7	90.9	122.0
Nov	118.6	0.3	3.7	101.9	113.8	91.3	122.5
Dec	118.4	-0.2	3.6	101.9	113.9	91.3	122.1
2003							
Jan	118.7	0.3	3.3	101.9	114.0	91.2	123.2
Feb	119.2	0.4	3.3	102.1	114.0	91.3	123.8
Mar	120.1	0.8	3.4	102.5	114.1	91.4	128.4
Apr	119.9	-0.2	2.4	102.6	114.2	91.7	127.1
May	119.9	0.0	2.0	102.8	114.1	92.2	124.6
Jun	119.7	-0.2	1.6	102.8	114.1	92.1	124.6
Jul	120.1	0.3	1.7	103.0	114.2	92.4	124.9
Aug	120.5	0.3	1.9	103.2	114.3	92.6	124.9

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Consumer Price Index ◆ September 2003

Highlights

- Inflation in BC rose 2.0% over September 2002. The lowest price increases were seen in Manitoba and Quebec, both showing a 1.6% rise in inflation, while Alberta continued to have the highest inflation rate in the country (3.3%). Nationally, the CPI rose 2.2% during the same period.

- Among the metropolitan areas, Edmonton, at 4.5%, had the highest increase in the CPI from last September, while Thunder Bay, at 1.4%, recorded the lowest increase. During the same period, the Vancouver CPI rose 1.8%, and the Victoria CPI rose 2.0%.

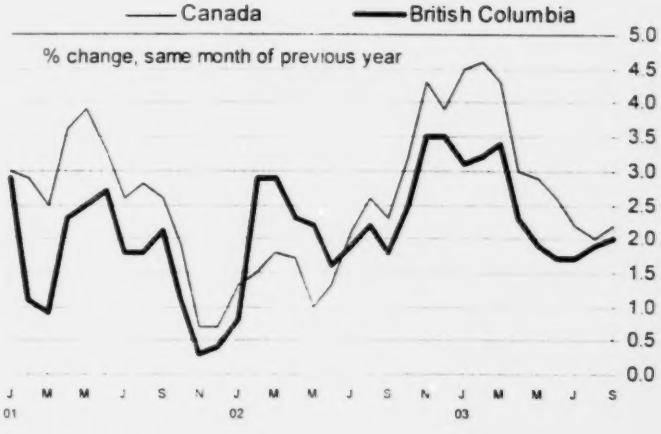
- Contributing to BC's year-over-year inflation were higher prices for education (+20.3%), natural gas (+16.0%), fuel oil (+10.0%), cigarettes (+10.0%), gasoline (+8.9%), and coffee & tea (+5.6%). Offsetting these increases were lower prices for inter-city public transportation (-3.8%), fish & other seafood (-3.4%), non-alcoholic beverages (-2.5%), liquor purchased from stores (-2.2%), and footwear (-1.8%).

- BC's CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 1.5% from last September. The comparable figure for Canada was 1.9%.

Note: Statistics Canada will release the October Consumer Price Index on November 19, 2003.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	September 2003	August 2003	September 2002
Canada	122.7	0.2	2.2
BC	121.2	0.2	2.0
Vancouver	121.8	0.2	1.8
Victoria	120.8	0.2	2.0

Inflation Trend Shows Slight Rise



1992=100	Latest 12-Month Average Index (ending in Sept. 2003)	Latest 12-Month Average % Change	2002 Annual Average % Change
Canada	121.8	3.3	2.2
BC	119.9	2.6	2.3
Vancouver	120.6	2.4	2.2
Victoria	119.5	2.6	2.7

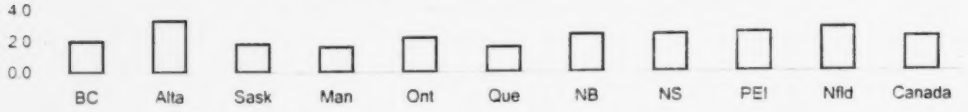
September 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index	% change		Index	% change	
	September	August	September	September	August	September
	2003	2003	2002	2003	2003	2002
All-Items Index (1992=100)	**121.2**	**0.2**	**2.0**	**122.7**	**0.2**	**2.2**
Food	**122.4**	**-0.7**	**2.2**	**121.3**	**-0.7**	**1.8**
Food Purchased From Stores	119.8	-1.1	2.5	119.8	-1.0	1.5
Meat	122.6	-0.6	-1.6	125.3	-0.9	-1.3
Fish & Other Seafood	126.8	-1.8	-3.4	123.0	-0.3	-1.1
Dairy Products & Eggs	126.5	-0.9	3.2	124.4	-0.3	3.1
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	120.6	-1.4	4.2	126.6	0.2	4.9
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	107.2	-3.1	3.2	107.5	-2.5	-1.6
Fresh Fruit	101.5	-4.0	0.7	108.3	-4.2	-3.6
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	97.2	-1.7	0.0	95.8	-8.2	-4.3
Fresh Vegetables	92.3	-1.9	-0.1	92.4	-10.8	-6.2
Other Food Products	128.3	0.2	6.1	123.0	0.9	4.9
Coffee & Tea	133.1	1.3	5.6	126.5	0.2	3.3
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	82.2	-0.6	-2.5	103.3	2.3	0.5
Food Purchased From Restaurants	128.2	-0.1	1.7	125.6	0.2	2.3
Shelter	**103.7**	**-0.2**	**1.7**	**117.9**	**0.2**	**2.9**
Rented Accommodation	114.8	0.1	0.9	117.5	0.1	1.3
Owned Accommodation	91.1	-0.2	1.6	111.1	0.2	3.1
Property taxes	141.7	0.0	3.5	123.1	0.0	2.2
Water, Fuel & Electricity	146.6	0.0	4.3	146.0	0.4	7.3
Electricity	107.0	0.0	0.5	118.2	-0.1	-8.3
Piped Gas	230.3	0.0	16.0	232.2	3.8	49.4
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	151.1	0.9	10.9	138.0	-4.0	2.1
Household Operations & Furnishings	**123.1**	**0.6**	**1.7**	**115.1**	**0.3**	**1.1**
Household Operations	129.3	0.5	2.4	119.4	0.2	1.4
Household Furnishings	114.7	0.7	0.6	108.4	0.6	0.4
Clothing & Footwear	**113.0**	**3.3**	**-0.5**	**105.0**	**3.1**	**-2.1**
Clothing	111.3	5.8	-0.4	103.7	4.2	-2.7
Women's Clothing	113.3	8.0	-0.9	105.4	5.7	-2.5
Men's Clothing	112.4	4.0	1.7	103.3	2.7	-1.4
Children's Clothing	100.5	2.3	-1.3	98.9	3.1	-4.4
Footwear	110.4	1.7	-1.8	103.4	1.9	-3.4
Transportation	**139.9**	**-0.8**	**1.7**	**141.9**	**-0.4**	**3.7**
Private Transportation	135.9	-0.5	2.3	139.4	-0.2	4.2
Operation of Motor Vehicles	143.8	-0.7	6.4	151.4	-0.2	10.1
Gasoline	157.3	-1.7	8.9	141.0	-0.7	5.3
Public Transportation	176.8	-2.7	-2.4	169.9	-2.1	-0.5
Local & Commuter	144.5	0.3	2.3	143.6	0.0	4.5
Inter-City	190.1	-3.8	-3.8	190.9	-3.2	-3.2
Health & Personal Care	**123.9**	**0.3**	**1.2**	**117.6**	**0.2**	**1.6**
Health Care	128.0	-0.1	1.7	122.7	0.2	1.7
Personal Care	119.8	0.8	0.8	113.8	0.3	1.5
Recreation, Education & Reading	**133.6**	**3.1**	**3.9**	**128.9**	**0.7**	**0.2**
Recreation	121.3	-1.3	-0.5	116.2	-0.9	-1.7
Education & Reading	179.7	15.9	17.2	175.9	5.1	5.6
Education	189.0	19.8	20.3	194.7	6.5	6.6
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	150.4	-0.1	4.4	139.8	0.1	2.0
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**137.0**	**0.1**	**5.0**	**137.1**	**0.0**	**5.5**
Alcoholic Beverages	119.5	0.3	0.5	122.3	-0.1	2.3
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	116.4	0.4	0.3	121.9	-0.1	1.9
Beer Purchased from Stores	136.0	0.0	3.3	131.2	-0.2	3.1
Liquor Purchased from Stores	100.3	0.4	-2.2	108.6	-0.1	0.4
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	152.3	-0.1	10.0	134.3	0.1	8.0
Cigarettes	152.2	-0.1	10.0	133.2	0.2	8.1
All-Items Excluding Food	121.0	0.5	2.0	123.1	0.3	2.2
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	118.6	0.3	2.0	122.9	0.2	2.0
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	118.5	0.6	1.5	120.9	0.3	1.9

September 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Provinces	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	September 2003	August 2003	September 2002	2002	2001	2001/02
Canada	122.7	0.2	2.2	119.0	116.4	2.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	121.4	0.6	2.8	117.3	114.5	2.4
Prince Edward Island	122.2	0.6	2.5	117.7	114.6	2.7
Nova Scotia	124.1	0.0	2.4	119.8	116.3	3.0
New Brunswick	123.0	0.2	2.4	118.6	114.7	3.4
Quebec	118.2	-0.2	1.6	115.5	113.2	2.0
Ontario	123.9	0.1	2.2	120.1	117.7	2.0
Manitoba	125.9	0.6	1.6	123.1	121.2	1.6
Saskatchewan	127.2	0.3	1.8	123.7	120.3	2.8
Alberta	130.1	0.6	3.3	124.2	120.1	3.4
British Columbia	**121.2**	**0.2**	**2.0**	**117.9**	**115.2**	**2.3**
Whitehorse	120.2	-0.2	1.2	117.7	116.9	0.7
Yellowknife	117.9	-0.2	0.2	116.3	113.0	2.9
Iqaluit (Dec. 2002=100)	100.3	0.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	September 2003	August 2003	September 2002	2002	2001	2001/02
St. John's	121.4	0.6	2.8	117.3	114.5	2.4
Charlottetown	121.2	0.5	2.3	117.1	114.2	2.5
Halifax	123.2	0.1	2.3	119.1	115.5	3.1
Saint John	122.5	0.2	2.3	118.2	114.5	3.2
Quebec City	118.9	-0.2	1.6	116.2	113.8	2.1
Montreal	118.3	-0.1	1.6	115.7	113.4	2.0
Ottawa	125.5	0.1	1.9	121.9	119.3	2.2
Toronto	124.8	0.2	3.1	120.6	118.1	2.1
Thunder Bay	122.6	0.1	1.4	119.3	117.5	1.5
Winnipeg	126.1	0.6	1.5	123.3	121.5	1.5
Regina	128.2	0.3	1.8	124.6	121.3	2.7
Saskatoon	126.3	0.2	1.5	123.1	119.7	2.8
Edmonton	128.9	0.5	4.5	121.9	118.4	3.0
Calgary	130.5	0.6	2.1	125.8	121.3	3.7
Vancouver	**121.8**	**0.2**	**1.8**	**118.6**	**116.0**	**2.2**
Victoria	**120.8**	**0.2**	**2.0**	**117.4**	**114.3**	**2.7**

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year

Source: Statistics Canada

Produced by: BC Stats

September 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1999	111.2	1.1		113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2002	117.9	2.3		120.6	101.9	121.0	112.6	135.0	121.9	124.7	126.7
2002		Month	Year								
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6	2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
Apr	117.7	0.9	2.3	121.5	101.6	121.4	114.2	135.0	122.0	121.7	123.9
May	118.1	0.3	2.2	120.9	101.8	121.2	112.8	135.9	122.0	125.4	126.2
Jun	118.2	0.1	1.6	121.0	102.0	120.9	111.1	136.0	122.5	126.1	127.8
Jul	118.5	0.3	1.9	120.3	102.1	121.1	110.7	137.2	121.7	127.2	129.9
Aug	118.7	0.2	2.2	120.9	102.1	121.0	110.5	137.7	123.0	127.1	130.4
Sep	118.8	0.1	1.8	119.8	102.0	121.0	113.6	137.6	122.4	128.6	130.5
Oct	118.7	-0.1	2.5	119.1	102.4	121.1	114.0	137.7	123.3	126.6	131.2
Nov	118.9	0.2	3.5	121.0	102.6	121.3	111.6	137.7	122.7	125.6	131.8
Dec	118.8	-0.1	3.5	121.7	102.6	121.3	109.5	137.4	122.0	125.2	131.9
2003											
Jan	119.0	0.2	3.1	122.1	102.7	121.3	110.3	138.0	122.8	125.1	132.2
Feb	119.6	0.5	3.2	121.1	102.9	122.3	112.0	140.3	122.7	126.0	134.0
Mar	120.6	0.8	3.4	122.3	103.2	122.1	113.8	143.2	121.8	126.9	135.2
Apr	120.4	-0.2	2.3	122.7	103.6	121.7	113.5	140.7	122.6	126.9	135.3
May	120.4	0.0	1.9	123.3	103.8	121.9	112.1	138.7	121.9	128.7	136.3
Jun	120.2	-0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.0	110.4	138.2	121.7	128.4	136.4
Jul	120.5	0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.3	111.4	138.6	122.2	129.5	136.4
Aug	120.9	0.3	1.9	123.3	103.9	122.4	109.4	141.0	123.5	129.6	136.8
Sep	121.2	0.2	2.0	122.4	103.7	123.1	113.0	139.9	123.9	133.6	137.0

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Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1999	110.5	1.7		110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2002	119.0	2.2		120.3	113.8	113.8	105.2	134.4	115.5	126.3	123.6
2002		Month	Year								
Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
Mar	117.7	0.7	1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
Apr	118.4	0.6	1.7	120.9	112.8	113.9	106.6	133.8	115.3	124.7	116.8
May	118.6	0.2	1.0	120.4	113.1	113.8	104.6	134.1	115.7	126.8	118.8
Jun	119.0	0.3	1.3	120.9	113.1	114.0	104.2	134.0	115.9	127.2	124.1
Jul	119.6	0.5	2.1	120.9	113.2	114.2	105.0	135.4	115.4	128.4	129.5
Aug	120.1	0.4	2.6	120.2	114.2	114.3	105.0	137.0	115.6	128.5	129.8
Sep	120.1	0.0	2.3	119.2	114.6	113.8	107.3	136.8	115.7	128.7	129.9
Oct	120.5	0.3	3.2	118.5	115.8	113.9	107.1	137.9	116.2	127.7	131.2
Nov	120.8	0.2	4.3	120.4	115.7	114.0	105.2	139.2	116.2	126.7	131.9
Dec	120.4	-0.3	3.9	121.2	114.0	114.0	102.3	140.1	116.1	126.0	131.6
2003											
Jan	121.4	0.8	4.5	122.3	116.2	113.9	101.6	141.9	116.1	125.4	132.0
Feb	122.3	0.7	4.6	122.1	116.7	114.5	103.8	144.1	116.4	127.1	133.5
Mar	122.8	0.4	4.3	122.4	117.4	114.5	105.5	144.6	116.1	126.7	133.8
Apr	121.9	-0.7	3.0	122.4	116.5	114.5	103.8	141.8	116.8	126.3	134.5
May	122.0	0.1	2.9	122.8	117.1	114.5	103.4	139.8	117.1	127.2	136.2
Jun	122.1	0.1	2.6	123.2	117.7	114.5	101.0	139.5	116.8	127.6	136.4
Jul	122.2	0.1	2.2	123.2	117.6	114.6	101.6	139.9	116.9	127.9	136.6
Aug	122.5	0.2	2.0	122.1	117.7	114.7	101.8	142.4	117.4	128.0	137.1
Sep	122.7	0.2	2.2	121.3	117.9	115.1	105.0	141.9	117.6	128.9	137.1

September 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100), Selected Items

BRITISH COLUMBIA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity[1]					
	1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
	2002	113.5	89.7	198.6	131.6	106.3	135.7	135.9	117.3	115.5	115.7
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
	Apr	113.1	89.4	198.6	130.8	106.1	137.3	136.6	116.9	115.4	115.1
	May	113.3	89.6	198.6	132.2	106.1	139.9	138.0	117.6	115.8	115.7
	Jun	113.5	90.0	198.6	132.2	106.1	140.4	138.3	117.7	115.9	115.9
	Jul	113.6	89.9	198.6	132.2	106.5	141.8	139.3	118.2	116.1	116.3
	Aug	113.8	89.8	198.6	132.2	106.5	142.6	139.7	118.3	116.3	116.4
	Sep	113.8	89.7	198.6	136.2	106.5	144.5	140.8	118.6	116.3	116.7
	Oct	114.0	90.1	198.6	141.2	106.5	146.5	142.1	118.7	116.2	116.6
	Nov	114.1	90.5	198.6	141.0	106.5	144.5	141.0	118.5	116.4	116.5
	Dec	114.2	90.6	198.6	136.6	106.5	138.1	137.5	118.2	116.3	116.5
2003	Jan	114.2	90.5	202.7	143.4	106.8	141.6	139.8	118.4	116.5	116.5
	Feb	114.3	90.6	202.7	150.5	106.8	154.0	146.1	119.3	117.0	117.0
	Mar	114.4	90.8	205.7	178.6	106.8	167.4	153.5	120.2	118.0	117.4
	Apr	114.5	91.0	230.3	165.0	106.8	153.1	147.9	119.9	117.8	117.5
	May	114.5	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.0	142.1	119.8	117.7	117.8
	Jun	114.6	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.2	142.2	119.6	117.6	117.6
	Jul	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	144.0	143.2	119.9	117.8	117.9
	Aug	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	160.0	151.0	120.4	118.2	117.8
	Sep	114.8	91.1	230.3	151.1	107.0	157.3	149.8	121.0	118.6	118.5

[1] electricity figure for 2001 reflects BC Hydro rebates in February and March

CANADA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
	2002	115.5	107.6	168.7	131.8	119.6	127.2	129.6	118.8	119.6	117.5
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
	Apr	115.0	107.1	153.9	130.2	119.4	130.4	129.4	117.9	119.3	116.5
	May	115.2	107.4	155.4	130.1	119.4	128.0	128.4	118.3	119.4	117.0
	Jun	115.4	107.7	153.9	130.1	117.2	126.9	127.0	118.6	119.5	117.5
	Jul	115.6	107.7	145.2	130.1	121.0	130.4	129.0	119.4	120.0	118.2
	Aug	115.9	107.8	147.7	130.1	129.2	133.6	133.4	120.2	120.5	118.5
	Sep	116.0	107.8	155.4	135.1	128.9	133.9	134.6	120.4	120.5	118.7
	Oct	116.2	108.4	184.2	144.2	125.5	136.0	138.4	121.0	120.8	118.9
	Nov	116.4	108.7	183.4	144.8	122.7	133.5	136.2	121.0	121.2	119.2
	Dec	116.5	109.2	187.1	144.5	99.7	130.0	127.6	120.2	120.7	119.3
2003	Jan	116.6	109.4	201.3	158.1	118.4	138.0	140.4	121.3	121.7	119.2
	Feb	116.7	109.7	203.5	176.9	118.4	147.7	146.5	122.4	122.6	119.9
	Mar	116.8	110.0	218.1	198.9	118.3	149.1	149.5	122.9	123.1	120.2
	Apr	116.9	110.3	230.3	163.0	106.3	135.7	137.4	121.9	122.2	120.2
	May	117.0	110.6	210.2	143.7	117.9	126.4	134.4	121.9	122.2	120.4
	Jun	117.1	110.9	228.3	143.7	119.0	127.9	137.0	121.9	122.3	120.2
	Jul	117.2	110.9	226.2	143.7	117.9	130.3	137.6	122.0	122.4	120.3
	Aug	117.4	110.9	223.6	143.7	118.3	142.0	143.5	122.7	122.7	120.5
	Sep	117.5	111.1	232.2	138.0	118.2	141.0	143.4	123.1	122.9	120.9

** Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

Source: Statistics Canada

Produced by: BC Stats

September 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1999	111.4	0.9		99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2		100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8		103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2002	118.6	2.2		103.4	113.1	91.3	150.0
2002		Month	Year				
Jan	116.3	0.4	0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3	2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
Mar	117.4	0.7	3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7
Apr	118.4	0.9	2.3	103.3	112.8	91.3	149.9
May	119.0	0.5	2.3	103.6	113.0	91.6	149.8
Jun	119.0	0.0	1.7	103.5	113.1	91.4	149.8
Jul	119.2	0.2	1.9	103.6	113.3	91.4	150.1
Aug	119.3	0.1	2.0	103.5	113.4	91.2	150.1
Sep	119.6	0.3	1.8	103.5	113.5	91.1	150.3
Oct	119.6	0.0	2.7	103.8	113.6	91.6	150.6
Nov	119.7	0.1	3.5	104.0	113.7	91.9	150.4
Dec	119.5	-0.2	3.2	104.1	113.9	91.9	150.2
2003							
Jan	119.7	0.2	2.9	104.1	113.9	91.8	150.7
Feb	120.3	0.5	3.2	104.2	114.0	92.0	150.8
Mar	121.2	0.7	3.2	104.6	114.1	92.4	151.5
Apr	121.0	-0.2	2.2	105.1	114.3	92.5	155.9
May	120.9	-0.1	1.6	105.2	114.3	92.7	155.7
Jun	120.8	-0.1	1.5	105.2	114.4	92.8	155.7
Jul	120.9	0.1	1.4	105.2	114.4	92.7	155.7
Aug	121.5	0.5	1.8	105.1	114.5	92.6	155.7
Sep	121.8	0.2	1.8	105.0	114.7	92.3	155.8

Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1999	111.1	1.0		98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7		99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2		98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2002	117.4	2.7		100.8	113.2	90.2	120.5
2002		Month	Year				
Jan	114.9	0.5	1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
Feb	115.4	0.4	3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
Mar	116.1	0.6	3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
Apr	117.1	0.9	2.5	100.2	112.7	89.5	120.2
May	117.6	0.4	2.4	100.4	113.0	89.6	120.5
Jun	117.8	0.2	2.1	100.9	113.1	90.3	120.5
Jul	118.1	0.3	2.3	101.0	113.4	90.4	120.5
Aug	118.3	0.2	2.7	101.0	113.4	90.3	120.5
Sep	118.4	0.1	2.3	100.9	113.5	90.1	121.0
Oct	118.3	-0.1	2.7	101.6	113.7	90.9	122.0
Nov	118.6	0.3	3.7	101.9	113.8	91.3	122.5
Dec	118.4	-0.2	3.6	101.9	113.9	91.3	122.1
2003							
Jan	118.7	0.3	3.3	101.9	114.0	91.2	123.2
Feb	119.2	0.4	3.3	102.1	114.0	91.3	123.8
Mar	120.1	0.8	3.4	102.5	114.1	91.4	128.4
Apr	119.9	-0.2	2.4	102.6	114.2	91.7	127.1
May	119.9	0.0	2.0	102.8	114.1	92.2	124.6
Jun	119.7	-0.2	1.6	102.8	114.1	92.1	124.6
Jul	120.1	0.3	1.7	103.0	114.2	92.4	124.9
Aug	120.5	0.3	1.9	103.2	114.3	92.6	124.9
Sep	120.8	0.2	2.0	102.8	114.4	92.1	124.6